

REMARKS

This is in response the communication from the examiner regarding the amendment pending in the above RCE application. The examiner has argued that the claims presented in the RCE are not directed to the elected species. The present supplemental amendment addresses this issue and further examination is respectfully requested.

Claims 54-61 are pending in the patent application. New claims 55-61 have been added. No new matter has been added.

Arguments for patentability of these claims have been previously presented. To briefly reiterate, the pouch construction has been found to produce an expected result from the fact that causes the hot water to flow maximally through the pouch instead of escaping from through an immediately adjacent sidewall.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments, it is believed that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. The amendments clarify the patentable invention without adding new subject matter. Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims.

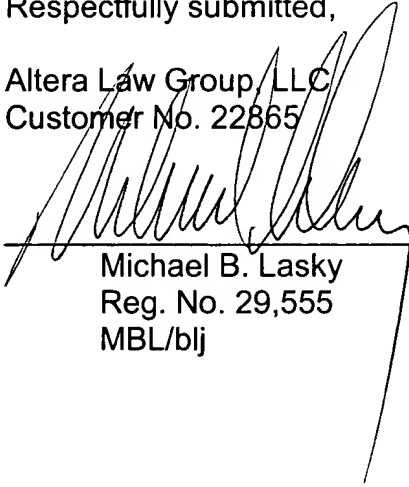
If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicant's attorney of record, Michael B. Lasky at (952) 253-4106.

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